

## Diocese of Erie – Catholic School Student Absence from Safe Environment Training Option Form

The Bishops of the United States have mandated that all children and youth receive safe environment training yearly. Article 12 of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* issued by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops states:

Dioceses are to maintain "safe environment" programs. They are to be conducted cooperatively with parents, civil authorities, educators, and community organizations to provide education and training for minors, parents, ministers, employees, volunteers, and others about ways to sustain and foster a safe environment for minors

The safe environment training of youth is a matter taken very seriously by the Diocese of Erie. **Please check one of the options listed below and return this form to your child's teacher.** This document will be maintained to ensure full accountability concerning the safe environment training of every child. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Name(s) of children:

The school offered Safe Environment training for my child; however, my child was absent from that training because: (please check appropriate box YES or NO)



Legitimate absence (i.e. illness, etc.)

## Y

I refused to allow my child to participate in this training.

## AND

OR

I have received the Home Training Packet and have discussed this material with my child at home.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

School

City

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